

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

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MEDIATION QUESTIONNAIRE

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9th Circuit Case Number(s):	13-17154		
District Court/Agency Case Number(s):	5:08-CV-05780 LHK		
District Court/Agency Location:	Northern District of California, San Jose Division		
Case Name:	Facebook, Inc.	v.	Power Ventures, Inc., et al.
If District Court, docket entry number(s) of order(s) appealed from:	275, 373, 374		
Name of party/parties submitting this form:	Power Ventures, Inc.		

Please briefly describe the dispute that gave rise to this lawsuit.

Power Ventures, Inc. owned a social media aggregation website (www.power.com) that enabled users to log into and manage their social media accounts from a single website/account. In Dec. 2008, Power.com launched its Facebook integration with a promotion where users who signed up 100 friends received \$100. Users could invite their friends by creating a Facebook event page and sending it to their friends on Facebook. Facebook, Inc. discovered this promotion and promptly demanded Power cease operations. Power immediately responded and requested permission to continue operation while integrating the Facebook-approved "Facebook Connect" API, and the parties negotiated terms for continued operation over the next few weeks. Despite ongoing good faith negotiations, no evidence of damage or threat to Facebook, and Power's prompt efforts to comply with Facebook's API, Facebook filed this lawsuit in Dec. 2008. Ultimately, Facebook claimed violations of the CAN-SPAM Act, CFAA and CPC § 502 and requested compensatory damages and ~\$18M for maximum statutory damages based on ~60,000 emails sent through Facebook when users invited their friends to join Power.com

Briefly describe the result below and the main issues on appeal.

On February 16, 2012, summary judgment was granted to Facebook on all claims, and summary judgment was denied as to defendants. On September 25, 2013, the Court ordered damages totalling \$3,031,350 plus compensatory damages and found Vachani liable. Further, the Court granted Facebook's request for a permanent injunction against defendants.

The main issues on appeal are: 1) Did the Court err in concluding there is no triable issue of fact regarding the question of whether Facebook satisfied standing requirements for each private right of action? 2) Did the Court err in concluding there is no triable issue of fact regarding whether the activity at issue violated these three criminal statutes? 3) Did the Court err in concluding that Defendants' activities violated these statutes? 4) Did the Court err

in finding Vachani liable for the corporation's actions? 5) Is the permanent injunction overly broad as to prohibit otherwise lawful and non-injurious activity?

Describe any proceedings remaining below or any related proceedings in other tribunals.

Defendant Vachani is currently appealing a sanctions order in this court, Case No. 13-16795. Defendant Vachani is also currently litigating a Chapter 7 bankruptcy action in CAND Oakland Division, Case No. 4:12-bk-47150. Defendants will be filing a motion to stay execution of judgment and suspend permanent injunction in the District Court.

Provide any other thoughts you would like to bring to the attention of the mediator.

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Signature /s/ Amy Sommer Anderson

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Counsel for Power Ventures, Inc.

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